

COUNCIL WRAP UP

FROM MAYOR LEWIS



FORNEY'S 150 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

State Representative Keith Bell presented a Resolution from the Texas House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature commemorating the 150th anniversary of the City of Forney. By adopting House Resolution No. 231, Forney was recognized at the State level for its rich farming history, its former place as the Antique Capital of Texas in 1987, and as a rapidly growing community whose residents enjoy a high quality of life working to build an even better future. A sesquicentennial is a significant milestone in our city's history!



BICYCLE RACKS IN DOWNTOWN

The Forney Lions Club raised funds and coordinated with the Forney Downtown Business Association to donate bicycle racks to the City of Forney. Public Works employees will be assisting with the installation of four bicycle racks within the downtown area. Thanks for the contribution!



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

As part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), the City will be receiving \$6.7 million to address local needs generated by the COVID-19 pandemic. City Council approved staff to seek a professional consulting firm who will provide expertise in ensuring compliance with federal regulations. This firm will also oversee the application and vetting process of distributing funds to our local businesses and nonprofits. The cost to hire this firm will come from the ARPA funds.



POLICE CHIEF SEARCH FIRM

Staff has sought out a search firm to administer the new police chief selection process. The City selected The Bowman Group headed by former police chief Dr. Theron Bowman. This firm will collaborate with City staff to bring candidates for selection, provide a screening process, coordinate the interview committees, and systematically streamline the process to select our new police chief.



TOWN HALL MEETING

The City of Forney and the Forney City Council will be holding a town hall meeting on Wednesday, November 10th. The meeting will be held from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the North Forney High School Performing Arts Center. Residents are encouraged to attend to ask questions and have conversations with City Council and staff. For anyone who is unable to attend the meeting, residents can submit their question to City Secretary Dorothy Brooks. Please email your questions to dbrooks@forneytx.gov before 12:00 p.m. on November 8, 2021.



The next Forney City Council Meeting will be on November 16th. Watch live at forneytx.gov